

Council Study Committee
November 12, 2012
Minutes

Members Present: Pete Berry, Greg Marchant, Eric Mathieu, John Parker, Pam Pepper and Mayor Bresnan.

Staff Present: Jean Furler, Eric Hanson, Dan Miers and Glen Cowan.

1. **GENERAL FUND CIP:** The committee reviewed the general fund capital improvement plan for fiscal years 2014 and 2015. The requests for FY14 included parks improvements and a replacement heater for the swimming pool. FY15 included replacement of an ambulance and parks and trail improvements.

Comments from the committee included; 1) defining a want versus a need, 2) placing a set dollar amount for a department as opposed to selecting particular projects, 3) police vehicles are purchased every other year and paid through operations and maintenance funds.

2. **Wastewater Facility Plan:** Forrest Aldrich, Engineer for Veenstra & Kimm presented the wastewater facility plan. The plan is based on regulations developed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, the city's potential population growth as determined by the comprehensive plan, the age of the current plant and the limited industrial growth in Indianola.

It was indicated the IDNR will be submitting a permit to the city for various upgrades and the city will be given approximately 4 years to comply with these regulations and requirements. The committee discussed the current plant capacity and potential of the upgrades to handle industrial and commercial growth.

It was determined that further review of the study is warranted and that staff will determine if other options for upgrades or improvements might better suit the needs of the city.